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PRESIDENT'S FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY BOARD

September 25, 1968

Honorable Richard M. Helms
Director of Central Intelligence
Langley, Virginia

Dear Dick,

Members of the Board would like very much to have you meet with us in the course of the Board meeting to be held on October 3 and 4, 1968.

It would be appreciated if you could join us from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on October 4 for a discussion of the following:

1. What lessons did the U.S. intelligence community learn from the recent Czech crisis which bear upon the ability of USIB's Watch Committee to perform its assigned responsibility for assuring "the earliest possible intelligence warning of, and a continuing judgment on, Sino-Soviet Bloc intentions to engage in aggressive action by regular or irregular armed forces"? Based on the Czech experience, what is your appraisal of the likelihood of obtaining timely information concerning changes in the alert posture of the Strategic Forces of the Soviet Union?;
2. Status of preparation of intelligence contingency plan for the Vietnam theater, as outlined in Mr. Rostow's memorandum on the subject dated August 7, 1968;
3. Impact of possible arms limitation agreements on the safeguarding of advanced U.S. intelligence collection systems; and

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4. Any other topics which you may wish to raise with the Board.

Sincerely,



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